SENATE BILL 439

By Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, Chapter 2, Part 2, relative to special permits.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-2-219(e), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following:

(e) The executive director is authorized to issue special permits to a nonprofit wildlife conservation organization that qualifies as tax exempt under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3). An organization that receives a special permit issued under this subsection (e) may sell or otherwise transfer such permits through any legal means available. Any proceeds of the sale must be used in this state for wildlife management projects approved by the agency; provided, that, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the organization may use no more than twenty percent (20%) of the proceeds to administer the sale or transfer of the permit. The commission may promulgate rules to implement the special permit program. SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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